



Plenary sitting

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RECOMMENDATION

on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Additional Protocol to the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union (12594/2014 – C8-0180/2015 – 2014/0234(NLE))

Committee on International Trade

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Symbols for procedures

- * Consultation procedure
- *** Consent procedure
- ***I Ordinary legislative procedure (first reading)
- ***II Ordinary legislative procedure (second reading)
- ***III Ordinary legislative procedure (third reading)

(The type of procedure depends on the legal basis proposed by the draft act.)

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DRAFT EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Additional Protocol to the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union

(12594/2014 – C8-0180/2015 – 2014/0234(NLE))

(Consent)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the draft Council decision (12594/2014),
 - having regard to the Additional Protocol to the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union (12595/2014),
 - having regard to the request for consent submitted by the Council in accordance with Articles 91, 100(2), 207 and Article 218 (6), second subparagraph, point (a) (v) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (C8-0180/2015),
 - having regard to Rule 99(1), first and third subparagraphs, Rule 99(2), and Rule 108(7) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the recommendation of the Committee on International Trade (A8-0155/2016),
1. Gives its consent to conclusion of the additional protocol;
 2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council, the Commission and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and of the Republic of Colombia and the Republic of Peru.

SHORT JUSTIFICATION

The Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, was signed in Brussels on 26 June 2012, and some of its provisions have been applied pursuant to Article 330 thereof between the European Union and Peru since 1 March 2013 and between European Union and Colombia since 1 August 2013.

The European Parliament adopted a legislative resolution in which it gave its consent to the conclusion of this Agreement on 11 December 2012.

On 24 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with Colombia and Peru in order to conclude an Additional Protocol to the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union ("the Protocol").

The Agreement liberalises trade in agricultural and industrial products as well as in services. It also contains provisions on the origin of goods, technical barriers to trade, sanitary and phytosanitary measures, competition, intellectual property and public procurement.

Your rapporteur is of the view that the participation of Croatia in the Trade Agreement is a natural consequence of its EU accession. It is only due that the necessary legal steps have been undertaken by the Commission and the Council to enable this participation.

In the light of the above your rapporteur recommends that the Parliament gives its consent to the conclusion of the additional protocol on the participation of Croatia in the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part.

The European Parliament's consent to this Council Decision is a mandatory component in the completion of the ratification process of the Additional Protocol.

RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE

Date adopted	21.4.2016
Result of final vote	+: 30 -: 0 0: 4
Members present for the final vote	Maria Arena, Daniel Caspary, Salvatore Cicu, Santiago Fisas Aixelà, Jude Kirton-Darling, Marine Le Pen, David Martin, Emmanuel Maurel, Emma McClarkin, Anne-Marie Mineur, Alessia Maria Mosca, Franz Obermayr, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Marietje Schaake, Helmut Scholz, Joachim Schuster, Joachim Starbatty
Substitutes present for the final vote	Klaus Buchner, Danuta Maria Hübner, Agnes Jongerius, Sander Loones, Bolesław G. Piecha, Frédérique Ries, Fernando Ruas, Lola Sánchez Caldentey, Judith Sargentini, József Szájer, Marita Ulvskog, Jarosław Wałęsa
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Rosa D'Amato, Emilian Pavel, Maurice Ponga, Marco Valli, Axel Voss